

DETACHMENT "H"

24 October 1972

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

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FIRE PLAN DURING DUTY HOURS

1. PURPOSE: To establish a plan of action to be followed by all personnel when a fire occurs in and around the hangar during duty hours.
2. SCOPE: Provisions of this SOP apply to all personnel.
3. RESPONSIBILITIES: The Fire Marshall is responsible for insuring adherence to the provisions of this SOP.
4. PROCEDURES:
 - A. Generally, the duties to be performed fall into five broad categories, and will be performed in the following order:
 - (1) Alerting personnel of a fire.
 - (2) Evacuating aircraft from hangar to the run-up pads.
 - (3) Obtaining help from Base Fire Department.
 - (4) Fighting the fire.
 - (5) Saving equipment.
 - B. The individual discovering a fire will make an announcement over the P.A. system alerting all personnel that there is a fire and giving the location of the fire.
 - (1) EXAMPLE: "Attention all personnel, attention all Personnel, fire, fire, fire, fire on the hangar floor".
 - (2) This announcement should be repeated as necessary.
 - C. In addition to making the above announcement, the individual discovering the fire will call the Base Fire Department by using the direct line telephone on the exterior of the guard booth on the hangar floor. This line connects with the tower on the flight line. There is always an English speaker in the tower. Tell the tower operator "FIRE IN THE [REDACTED] HANGAR **REPEAT FIRE IN THE [REDACTED] HANGAR. SEND FIRE DEPARTMENT ** REPEAT SEND FIRE DEPARTMENT."

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- D. As soon as the fire alert has been received, crew chief will immediately begin to evacuate their respective air craft to a safe distance from the fire.
- E. Personnel nearest the fire will use CO₂ fire extinguishers to fight fuel and/or electrical fires (class B and C). Fire hoses will be used on paper, cloth or wood fires (Class A).
- F. Personnel will lock classified material in their safes, close their office or shop doors, (leave the doors unlocked) AND EVACUATE THE HANGAR.
- G. In the above procedures, personal safety will be paramount.
- H. Discipline will be maintained by all personnel and orders issued by the [REDACTED] Fire Chief in conjunction with the senior official on duty at the time of the fire will be obeyed; however, after the Base Fire Department arrives on the scene, all personnel will obey the orders of the Fire Chief.
- I. Supervisors will be aware of where and what their personnel are doing at all times during the fire.

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S. SPECIFIC PROCEDURES:

- A. If a fire occurs on the hangar floor, the following action will be taken:
 - (1) The fire will be reported in accordance with paragraphs [REDACTED]
 - (2) Each component supervisor is responsible for evacuating critical equipment from his area, safety factors permitting.
 - (3) Crew chiefs will evacuate their aircraft.
 - (4) Personnel will fight the fire.
 - (5) Doors leading to offices, shops and the hallway will be closed, but not locked.
 - (6) At least two persons each from Supply and Special Equipment will standby the water fire hoses near their respective areas, and will be ready to use the hoses as directed.

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(7) Personnel, other than maintenance personnel, will leave the hangar floor and return to their offices and shops to secure their classified material and evacuate the hangar.

B. If a fire occurs in offices or shops, the following action will be taken:

- (1) The fire will be reported in accordance with paragraph 4. B and C above.
- (2) Procedures outlined above in Paragraph A of Section 5 will be followed by personnel situated on the hangar floor.
- (3) Personnel will fight the fire.
- (4) Personnel not engaged in fire fighting will secure classified material and evacuate the hangar. Upon evacuation, they should move any squadron vehicles parked near the hangar to a safe distance from the fire.

6. [REDACTED] PERSONNEL:

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A. During a fire [REDACTED] personnel of the [REDACTED] will be detailed by the Commander, [REDACTED] or the senior [REDACTED] officer in the hangar, to assist the Base Fire Department in fighting the fire and assist American personnel in saving equipment. One or two officers will also be detailed as interpreters in relaying instructions from English to [REDACTED] to the firemen.

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Detachment Commander